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Westminster, February 27.

HER Majesty came this day to the House of Peers; and being in Her Royal Robes Seated on the Throne, with the usual Solemnity, was pleased to send a Message to the House of Commons, by Sir *David Mitchell* Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, requiring their Attendance in the House of Peers. The Commons being come thither accordingly, Her Majesty was pleased to give the Royal Assent to

An Act for Granting to Her Majesty several Subsidies, for carrying on the War against France *and* Spain.

An Act for Granting an Aid to Her Majesty, by Sale of several Annuities at the Exchequer, *for carrying on the War against* France *and* Spain.

An Act to Enable Her Majesty to settle a Revenue for supporting the Dignity of his Royal Highness Prince George, *Hereditary of* Denmark, *in case he shall Survive Her Majesty.*

An Act for Continuing the Duties upon Coles, Culm and Cynders.

An Act for Granting a Supply to Her Majesty by several Duties imposed upon Malt, Mum, Cyder and Perry.

An Act for Preventing Frauds in Her Majesty's Duties upon Stampt Vellum, Parchment and Paper.

An Act for Advancing the Sale of the Forfeited Estates in Ireland, *and for vesting such as remain unsold by the present Trustees in Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, for such Uses as the same were before vested in the said Trustees, and for the more effectual selling and setting the said Estates to Protestants; and for explaining the several Acts relating to the Lord* Bophin *and Sir* Redmond Everard.

An Act for the Finishing and Adorning the Cathedral Church of St. Paul's, London.

An Act for Explaining and making Effectual a late Statute concerning the Haven and Pieres of the Burgh of Great Yarmouth; *and for confirming the Rights and Privileges of the said Burgh.*

An Act for making the River Cham *alias* Grant, *in the County of* Cambridge, *more Navigable from* Hyth-Ferry *to the Queen's Mill in the University and Town of* Cambridge.

An Act for Explanation of a Clause in one Act made in the Seventh Year of His late Majesty's Reign, relating to Borelaps, and to take off the Additional Subsidy upon Irish *Linen.*

An Act for the better Preventing Escapes out of the Queen's-Bench *and* Fleet *Prisons.*

An Act for Punishing of Accessaries to Felonies, and Receivers of Stolen Goods; and to prevent the wilful Burning and Destroying of Ships.

An Act for the better Repairing and Amending the High-ways from the North End of Thornwood Common *to* Woodford, *in the County of* Essex.

An Act for continuing former Acts for Exporting Leather, and for Ease of Jurors, and for Reviving and making more Effectual an Act relating to Vagrants.

An Act for Encouraging the Consumption of Malted Corn, and for the better Preventing the Running of French *and Foreign Brandy.*

An Act for Taking, Examining and Stating the Publick Accounts of the Kingdom.

An Act for Enlarging the Time for Taking the Oath of Abjuration, and also for Recapacitating and Indempnifying such Persons as have not taken the same by the Time limited, and shall take the same by a Time to be appointed, and for the further Security of Her Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line, and for Extinguishing the Hopes of the Pretended Prince of Wales, *and all other Pretenders, and their open and Secret Abettors.*

An Act for Punishing Officers and Soldiers who shall mutiny or desert Her Majesty's Service in England *or* Ireland, *and for Punishing false Musters, and for better Payment of Quarters in* England.

An Act for the more effectual Preventing the Abuses and Frauds of Persons employed in the working up the Woollen, Linen, Fustian, Cotton, and Iron Manufactures of this Kingdom.

An Act for Raising the Militia of this Kingdom for the Year One thousand seven hundred and three, notwithstanding the Month's Pay formerly advanced be not repaid.

An Act for Reviving and Continuing the late Acts for Appointing Commissioners to Take, Examine, and Determine the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service, and also an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War.

An Act to Oblige Edward Whitaker *to account for such Sums of Publick Money as have been received by him.*

And to 31 Private Acts.

After which Her Majesty made a most Gracious Speech to both Houses, which follows:

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I Return you My hearty Thanks for the great Dispatch you have given to the Publick Affairs in this Session, which is an Advantage extremely Material at all times, and I Hope We shall find the Fruit of it this Year in the Forwardness of our Preparations.

I am to Thank you, Gentlemen of the House of Commons, *in particular, for the great Supplies with which you Enable Me to Carry on the War; It shall be My Care to have them strictly Applied to the Uses, for which you have Design'd them, and to the best Advantage for the Publick Service: You have Reposed great Confidence in Me by Allowing so Unusual a Latitude, as you have done, in the Clause of Appropriation; I shall Improve all Opportunities, in the Use of it, for the Honour and true Interest of the Nation.*

I must further take Notice to you, That the Readiness you have shewn in the Provision made for the Prince is a very sensible Obligation to Me.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I Desire and Expect from you, That you make it your Business in your several Countreys, to Continue and Preserve the Quiet and Satisfaction of all My Subjects; I hope that such of them, as have the Misfortune to Dissent from the Church of England, *will rest Secure and Satisfied in the Act of Toleration, which I am firmly Resolved to Maintain: And that all those who have the Happiness and Advantage to be of Our Church, will Consider, That I have had My Education in it, and that I have been willing to run great Hazards for its Preservation, and therefore they may be very Sure, I shall always make it My own particular Care to Encourage and Maintain this Church as by Law Established, and every the least Member of it, in all their Just Rights and Privileges; and upon all Occasions of Promotions to any Ecclesiastical Dignity, I shall have a very Just Regard to such, as are Eminent and Remarkable for their Piety, Learning, and Constant Zeal for the Church; that by this and all other Methods which shall be thought proper, I may Transmit it Securely Settled to Posterity.*

I Think it might have been for the Publick Service to have had some further Laws for Restraining the great Licence, which is Assumed, of Publishing and Spreading Scandalous Pamphlets and Libels; but as far as the present Laws will extend, I hope you will all do your Duty in your respective Stations to Prevent and Punish such Pernicious Practices.

Above all other things I do Recommend to you Peace and Union among Our Selves, as the most Effectual Means, that can be devised, to Discourage and Defeat the Designs of Our Enemies.

I must not Conclude without Acquainting you I have given Directions, That My Part of all the Prizes, which have been or shall be Taken during this War, be Applied intirely to the Publick Service; and I hope My Own Revenue will not fall so short, but that I may be able, as I desire, to Contribute yet further to the Ease of My People.

After which the Lord Keeper (by Her Majesty's Command) Prorogued the Parliament to *Thursday* the 22d of *April* next.

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